

CENTRAL REGIONAL TRAUMA ADVISORY COMMITTEE

October 23, 2008

Benefis Healthcare, East Campus – Classroom 5B
Great Falls

MINUTES

1200–12:30 Lunch sponsored by Benefis Healthcare Classroom 5B (Please RSVP for lunch attendance to Lauri Jackson (406) 455-4458)
12:30 REACH Network **ON** for Central RTAC meeting
(Contact your local REACH site coordinator for dial in number)

The Central Montana Rural Trauma Advisory Committee (CRTAC) was called to order at 1230 PM. Benefis Healthcare hosted a luncheon prior to the meeting. Roll call was taken. Minute Approval from Feb meeting was deferred.

1. Roll call

Lauri Jackson

PRESENT:

Lauri Jackson, APRN, CRTAC Secretary, Great Falls
Justin Grohs, EMT-P, GFES
Jennie Chelmo, RN, Chester
Jeff Chelmo PA-C, Chester
Janice Woodhouse RN, Fort Benton
Linda Williams, EMT Fort Benton
Deb Guesseman, EMT Fort Benton
James Laidlaw III EMT-P, Cut Bank
Michael Rosalez EMT-P Great Falls
Dirk Johnson Training Officer GFFR
Kari Durbin RN, Townsend
Heather McMurdie, Townsend
Joleen Weatherwax, EMT Browning
Jennie Nemec RN, State Trauma System Program Manager
Carol Kussman RN State Trauma System

ABSENT: Michael Orcutt, MD, CRTAC Chairman, Great Falls
Representatives from:

Conrad
Shelby
Havre
Big Sandy
White Sulphur Springs

2. Approval of previous meeting minutes

Lauri Jackson APRN

➤ *Approved*

3. State Trauma Care Committee activities & State Trauma Update

MT Trauma Staff

- *Jennie Nemec has accepted the position of Trauma Program Manager*
- *Kim Todd will still be a contract employee to assist with facilities inspection/designation.*
- *Carol Kussman has accepted the position of System Support for the State Trauma Program*
- *State Trauma care Committee has new appointments as follows*
Jennifer Thuesen, WRTAC (end 11/2011),
Justin Grohs, Private Ambulances (end 11/2011)

Fred Bartoletti, MT Medical Asso. (end 11/2012)

Joseph Hansen, ERTAC (end 11/2011)

Andrew Michel MD, ACEP (end 11/2011)

Lauri Jackson, CRTAC (end 11/2012)

Brad VonBergen, ERTAC (end 11/2012)

- *Still have vacant ISH position on the State Trauma Care Committee*
- *Next Trauma Care Advisory meeting scheduled for November 17*
- *Trauma Coordinator meetings tentatively scheduled for Feb and May 2009*
- *Hopefully we will receive updates to Collector software by the end of November. Number of facilities submitting paper abstract has increased for 14 to 34.*
- *State EMS task force has integrated into the Montana Emergency Care System. Committee will consist of MD's, RN's & EMT's, will have DPHHS appointed director. Applications for this committee are available on the MT state website. Deadline is November 15.*
- *Courses:*
 - ATLS : One last Course in November 5 courses planned for 2009*
 - BDLS: Computer course one last course in November, ADLS must complete BDLS will have ADLS course this winter, or early spring.*
 - Advanced Burn Life Support Courses Great Falls, Nov 4th, Billings Nov 6*
 - MT Systems Conference Sept 16 in Red Lodge (day before RMRTS)*
 - Rocky Mountain Rural Trauma Symposium (RMRTS) Sept 17-18 Red Lodge*
- *STACC working on "Systems Issues"*
 - Peds Neurosurgery availability & willingness to accept patient. Need to let "us" know if have problems with transfer/acceptance of peds neurosurg patients.*
 - Mt Air ambulance Services: utilization/dispatch/standardizing response criteria, service capabilities, safety*
- *Designations:*
 - From Central region: Chester received designation as Trauma Receiving facility in August. CONGRADULATIONS Chester!!!!*
 - Shelby & Conrad have applied for designation*
- *HRSA grant \$\$\$ will be available again to help with designation. Fro hospital with designation \$\$ will be for support of community planning activities around pan-flu, mass casualty, surge capacity*

4. Subcommittees

1. Injury Prevention/Education

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- *Helmets in schools, Bike safety,*
- *Chester. Liberty medical Center has developed a neck injury prevention safety sheet, asked to share with region*
- *Room to live video: discuss with legislators along with Harborview/Montana Seatbelt Data in support of primary seat belt law.*
- *State Injury prevention Activities attached: Include,*
 - MT seatbelt coalition, SBIRT alcohol screening, EMS for Children*
- 2. Regional Trauma Plan

Lauri Jackson APRN

- *Think about neruo surgeon issues, Process improvement goals to monitor for 2009*

3. Pre-hospital

Rosie Rosalez, EMT-P

- *Awaiting minutes. 9 pre-hospital providers in attendance. Case reviews discussed.*
- *Please send pre-hospital trip reports with all patients who are transferred.*

5. RTAC education grant from general fund

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- *9 TNCC, 3 ENPC so far this year. Looking at TEAM first quarter of 2009, with Chester as first up for course.*

Public Comments

None

6. Adjournment
Future CRTAC Meeting Dates for 2009:
January 22
April 23
July 23
October 22
7. Quality Improvement:
Inter-facility / Pre-hospital transfer cases from region
Case Review per Great Falls

Telemedicine sites available in Big Sandy, Chester, Choteau, Conrad, Cut Bank, Fort Benton, Havre, Shelby, Helena, and Great Falls (Benefis).

Respectfully submitted.

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Trauma Coordinator Benefis Health Systems